Mushroom growth of unauthorised colonies

696. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the mushroom growth of unauthrised colonies in Delhi has put pressurcon the civic services like sanitation, water and power; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take to stop the growth of unauthorised colonies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delhi Administration, DD A and the MCD have been advised to enforce legal provisions effectively to prevent growth of unauthorised colonies in future.

SUPPLY OF WATER IN DELHI

697. SHRI KRISHAN KUMAR BIRLA:

SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL.

will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item captioned "Water shortage in Capital likely" as reported in the Economic Times dated 5th February, 1992 ;

(b) whether it is a fact that Haryana Government has not been supplying additional water from Yamuna to Delhi ;

(c) if so, whether Government are aware that during the coming Summer season, Delhi may face water problem ; and

(d) if so, the steps Government propose to take to ensure supply of sufficient water in Delhi ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Normally Delhi has been managing its requirements from the supplies received from the Bhakra System, Ganga Canal, Ranney Wells and from the River Yamuna. At times, especially during summer when regeneration in the Yamuna River falls, additional requirements become necessary. For this, Government of Harayana has been, in the past been supplying additional water to Delhi on payment out of their share of irrigation waters as and when requested by Delhi.

(c) and (d) Government is closely monitoring the water supply position in Delhi. Astsatement is enclosed ((*See below*) indicating the long term as well as short term measuries to augnent Delhi water supply position.

Statement

i. Construction of second 100 MGD Water Treatment Plant at Haiderpur has been statrted.

ii. Construction work of 40 MGD Water Treatment Plant at Nangioi has been awarded;

iii. Construction of 20 MGD Water Treatment plant near Bhavana Escape has been proposed ;

v. Discussions with Haryana Government are in progress for the supply of adequate raw water to above plants in exchange for treated effluent.;

v. Construction of 5 Ranney Wells in Alipur Block is in progress. In addition, 27 tube wells have been installed and 15 more tube wells will be energised shortly;

vi. Steps have been taken to rationalise the distribution system. Ground reservoir and booster pumping stations have been commissioned in 7 colonies and are likely to be commissioned shortly in 2 more colonies. This work is in progress in 4 colonies and is also being planned for 5 more colonies as soon as the land become available.

vii. Steps have also been taken for detection of leakages of water and to minimise the leakage. 23 shallow tube wells have been installed for horticulture purpose to save filtered water. 101 open wells in city and Sadar Phaharganj (S.P. Zone) are also provided with submersible pumping sets to supply water for horticulture purposes; and

viii. Water supply arrangements in resettlement colonies , J.J. clusters and regularised unauthorised colonies are being continuously improved through tube wells, handpumps / hydrants, and water supply connection according to prescribed norms.

Long Term Measures

It is proposed to earmark specific quantities of water from the reservoirs created through the construction of Tehri Dam, Kishau Dam and Renuka Dam.

Jhuggi Jhonpri Dwellers

698. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA Will : the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of the total Delhi population living in Jhuggi-Jhonpri clusters as on 30th November, 1991 ;

(b) what is the estimated percentage of increase in the number of Jhuggi-Jhuonpri dwellers annually due to influx of people in the city ;

(c) what percentage of the population is living in unauthorised colonies in the city as on 30th November, 1991 ;

(d) what are the details of the Jhuggi-Jhonpri / resettlement and unauthorised colonies where the sewerage work is in progress and by when this is likely to be completed ; and

(e) what is the percentage of esealation n the cost of sewerage work due ito delay in its completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Involvement of non-resident Indians in the Housing Sector

699. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken any final decision to involve the non-resident Indians in the housing sector in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what are the expectations of NRIs for making investment in the housing sector; and

(d) whether the NRIs have demanded any concessions for the venture; if so, what are the details thereof stating the reaction of Government with regard thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (d) This Ministry is in the process of formulating a scheme for encouraging investment by NRIs in housing, real estate, housing finance, institutions and manufacturing units for building materials. Final decision in this regard is yet to be taken.

Charging of ground rent by D.D.A.

700. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that DDA has been charging ground rent from the allottees of flats in DDA colonies;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof with procedure for its calculation;

(c) whether DDA has been providing any service to allottees in return;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons for collection of ground rent;

(e) whether any duration for collection of ground rent has been fixed; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) As per terms and conditions of allotment of flats, Ground Rent is charged at the rate of Rs. 1/- per annum for the first two years at the time of allotment and thereafter the allottee is liable to deposit the Ground Rent at the rate of 2½ of the premium of land annually for which no separate demand letters are issued.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The Ground Rent is collected by the Government under the scheme of 'Large Scale Acquisition, Development & Disposal of Land in Delhi' as a return on the capital invested by the Government in acquiring and developing lands from out of the Revolving Fund which is a part of the Consolodated Fund of India and has nothing to do with provision of services to the allottees.

(e) and (f) The recovery of the Ground Rent is perpetual for the lease-hold properties; however, its rate is subject to revision after every 30 years.